

ANSWERS: Calorimetry calculations

In your exam you will be provided with the SHC (Specific Heat Capacity) if needed: specific heat capacity of water = $4.18 \text{ J g}^{-1} \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}$

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1) $72.0 \text{ g} / 18.0 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 4.00 \text{ mol}$ of water being boiled.

Energy required to do this $4.00 \text{ mol} \times 40.7 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} = 162.8 \text{ kJ}$

This is the amount of energy that the combustion of methane in the Bunsen is required to produce.

$162.8 \text{ kJ} / 889 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} = 0.183 \text{ mol}$ of methane to be combusted.

Mass of methane = $0.183 \text{ mol} \times 16.0 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 2.93 \text{ g}$.

2) i) $n = 0.400 \text{ g} / 86.0 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 0.00465 \text{ mol}$

Energy absorbed = $q = ms\Delta T = 150 \text{ g} \times 4.18 \text{ J g}^{-1} \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1} \times 17^{\circ}\text{C}$
 $= 10659 \text{ J} / 10.695 \text{ kJ} / 10.7 \text{ kJ}$

$\Delta H = -10659 \text{ J} / 0.00465 \text{ mol} = \textbf{-2292 or -2290 or -2300 kJ mol}^{-1}$

ii)

- Heat lost to the surroundings needs better insulation such as: lid on the beaker /lagging on the beaker /containment of the heat from the flame.
- Incomplete combustion occurs, ensure plenty of oxygen is supplied
- Not done under standard conditions make sure done at 25° and 1 atmosphere pressure (must stipulate STP).

3) $50.0 \text{ g} \times 2.70^{\circ}\text{C} \times 4.18 \text{ J g}^{-1} \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1} = 564.3 \text{ J}$

$n(\text{NH}_4\text{NO}_3) = 1.80 \text{ g} \div 80 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 2.25 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol}$

Energy absorbed when 1 mol dissolves = $564.3 \text{ J} \div 2.25 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol} = 25080 \text{ J}$

$\Delta_r H = \textbf{+ 25.1 kJ mol}^{-1}$

4) $E = 200 \times 4.18 \times 18 = 15048 \text{ joules} = 15.048 \text{ kJ}$ released

$n(\text{ethanol}) = 1.00 \text{ g} / 46 \text{ g mol}^{-1} = 0.0217 \text{ mol}$

$\Delta_c H = \textbf{-15.048 kJ / 0.0217 mol} = \textbf{- 693 kJ mol}^{-1}$